



Join Us for Free, Fun Programs!

Parker River National Wildlife Refuge

NOVEMBER ~ 2011

REGISTRATION

All refuge run programs are FREE but space may be limited and advanced registration is required for all programs, unless otherwise indicated. Please call (978) 465-5753 to register. Registration is not complete until you receive confirmation from a staff member. Please note that outdoor programs may be cancelled if there is inclement weather and also insufficient registration. Visit us on the web for more information: <http://parkerriver.fws.gov> or call Refuge Headquarters. The refuge visitor center is located at 6 Plum Island Turnpike, Newburyport, MA.

Please note: If a program requires pre-registration, your registration is not confirmed unless and until you receive a phone call or voice mail message from a member of the refuge staff.

“Behind the Scenes” Refuge Tour

***Held on the following weekdays: Wednesday, November 2nd at 9:30 am;
Thursday, November 10th at 1:00 pm; and Thursday, November 17th at 9:30 am;
Also held on Sunday, November 13th at 9:30 am and Sunday, November 20th at 9:30am.***

Join a refuge ranger for a behind the scenes tour of Parker River National Wildlife Refuge. Tour will be conducted via refuge van, with several brief “drive by” stops along the way. The tour will present an “up close and personal” look at the refuge through the multiple lenses of the cultural history of Plum Island and the Great Marsh, native wildlife and their habitats, and the role of refuge management in the conservation of these precious natural resources. Participants will visit areas on the refuge otherwise closed to the public. This guided two hour program is most appropriate for adults. Binoculars and/or a camera are recommended but not required. Meet the ranger in the lobby of the refuge visitor center. Each session is limited to 10 participants.

Advance registration is required for this program, as enrollment is limited. Be advised that tours may be subject to cancellation.

“Insight to Education”: A Workshop for Local Educators

Saturday, November 19, 2011 from 9:00am - Noon

Local educators, both formal and non-formal, are invited to join a refuge staff member for a FREE three hour, hands-on workshop that will focus on how this national wildlife refuge can be a valuable educational resource and/or field trip destination for a diversity of learning groups. The three hour workshop will include:

- An overview of the important conservation role the refuge plays – both locally and nationally;
- A close-up look at our visitor center, state-of-the-art auditorium, large classroom, and related educational resources;
- An interpretive tour of the refuge, with an emphasis on how wildlife and their habitats are managed; and
- A visit to several locations on the refuge where hands-on learning experiences may be conducted.

The workshop will be conducted at the refuge headquarters and visitor center, located at 6 Plum Island Turnpike in Newburyport. ***Advance registration is required for this program. Please register by Thursday, November 17, 2011 by calling (978)465-5753***

***Please note: Those leaving messages after hours, your registration is not confirmed until having received a confirmation call from refuge staff.**

***Also note: This program may be subject to cancellation and rescheduled for a later date pending enrollment.**